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October 21, 2013

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan

SUBJECT: Approval of State Board of Education and Michigan Department

of Education Cosponsorship

The State Board of Education and Michigan Department of Education have been asked to cosponsor the following conference:

• 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Social Studies Olympiad

It is recommended that the State Board of Education support the cosponsorship of the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Social Studies Olympiad, as described in the Superintendent's memorandum dated October 21, 2013.

## STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

## **COSPONSORSHIP**

| Title of Event:  | 28 <sup>th</sup> Annual Social Studies Olympiad  |
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| Primary Sponsoring Agency:   | Michigan Council for the Social Studies  |
| Cosponsors:  | National Council for the Social Studies  |
| Date:  | May 3, 2014  |
| Location:  | Adlai Stevenson High School, Sterling Heights  |
| Purpose:   | The Olympiad provides students with an opportunity to compete in events that help them learn critical social studies knowledge and skills, and at the same time have fun working on individual and team projects. It also gives parents the chance to see their children learning from some of the best social studies educators in the state. |
| Major Speaker(s):  | There are no major speakers that day, it is a multi-faceted competition where the students compete all day.  |
| Audience:  | Social studies educators, students and parents from across the state.  |
| Staff Involvement:   | Jim Cameron, Social Studies Consultant in the Office of Education Improvement & Innovation, will be onsite.  |
| Financial Obligation (please check): Federal State Other   |  |
| Staff Costs (including fringe benefits and number of days): \$   |  |
| Other Costs (including meals, phone, postage, travel, etc.): \$  |  |
| State Board Participation: To give a brief speech at the opening ceremonies. Contact person, directions and other relevant information will be forwarded closer to the event date. |  |
| The following "Statement of Cosponsorship" will appear on the printed agenda for the meeting or conference:  |  |

Cosponsorship of a conference by the State Board of Education and Michigan Department of Education assumes the active participation of Department of Education staff in the planning and development of the agenda. No person shall be denied the opportunity to participate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, age, sex, marital status or disability. The conference facility must meet federal and state accessibility standards. Commercial products or services displayed or presented as a part of the conference are not considered endorsed by the State Board of Education or Michigan Department of Education.